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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office Action dated August 23, 2006, kindly enter the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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